



What did
you find?

1. What is your bird count for
today? _____

2. What other birds did you
see?

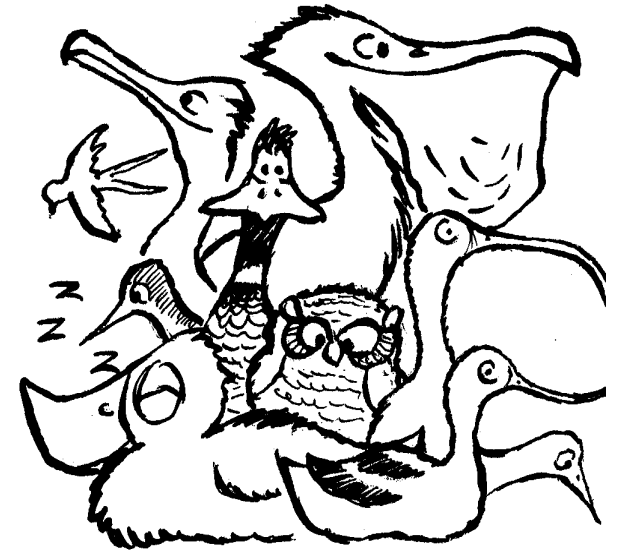
3. Which bird was the most
interesting? _____

4. Why do you think so many
birds visit the Monte Vista/
Alamosa Wildlife Refuges?

We're very happy you could visit the refuge today. It is one of more than 540 refuges managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to provide wildlife with suitable homes or habitat. The refuge program began in the early 1900's and expanded rapidly following passage of the "Duck Stamp Act" in 1934. During the 1930's, a long drought dried many wetlands causing waterfowl numbers to drop to alarmingly low levels. To aid waterfowl, many hunters and others supported passing the "Duck Stamp Act" which required hunters to buy a "duck stamp" each year they desired to hunt waterfowl. Money collected from the sale of these stamps purchased many National Wildlife Refuges for both hunters and non-hunters to enjoy.



Illustrated Bird List



Alamosa/
Monte Vista
National Wildlife
Refuges



A good bird watcher does not always see birds, but listens for their calls, and looks for other signs like nests, and tracks. Keep your eyes and ears open and you may see or hear every bird on this list.



You may hear the bird

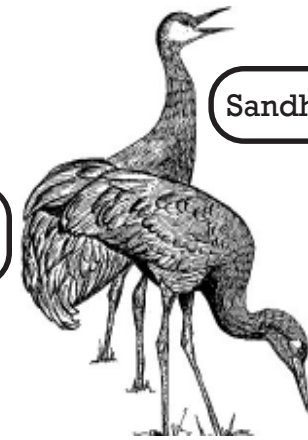


You may see signs of the bird(nest, feathers, scat)



You may see this bird.

Kid's Bird List

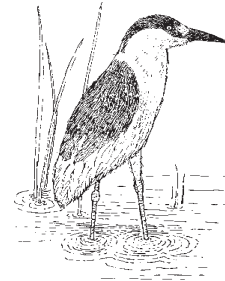


Sandhill Cranes

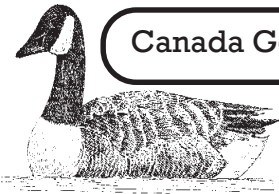


Great Blue Heron

Black-Crowned Night Heron



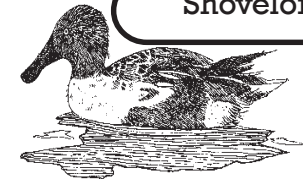
Bird of Prey



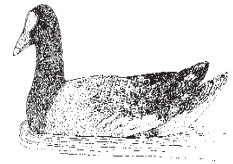
Canada Goose



Bald Eagle



Shoveler



American Coot

Red-winged Blackbird



White-faced Ibis



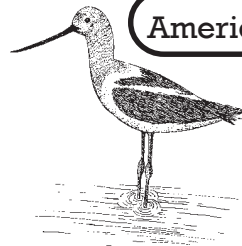
Ruddy Duck



Mallard



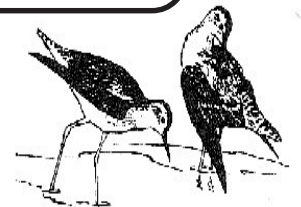
American Avocet



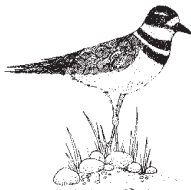
Wilson's Phalarope



Yellowlegs



Killdeer



Marsh Wren



Snowy Egret

